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Commercial Red Drum season to close until 2017

BILOXI, Miss. – The commercial fishing season for Red Drum (*Sciaenops ocellatus*) will close in Mississippi territorial waters on Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 11:59 p.m.

The commercial fishing season will reopen Sunday, Jan. 1, at 12:01 a.m.

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